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REQUEST FOR ORAL HEARING

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Sir:

Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.194(b), appellant requests an oral hearing.

The item(s) checked below are appropriate:

This request is timely because it is being made within two months from the date of the Examiner's answer.

A Petition for Extension of Time to Request an Oral Hearing is submitted concurrently herewith under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(b) (for patent applications) or 37

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C.F.R. §1.550(c) (for reexamination proceedings). It is respectfully requested that an extension of time be granted because sufficient cause has been shown and the requested extension is for a reasonable time.

[] Applicant claims small entity status. Thus, the fees of \$290.00 is reduced by half, and the resulting fee is noted below.

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